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Applicants: Kuniko KIMURA et al.
Application No.: 10/527,712
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Group No.: 2812
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For: THIN FILM AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SAME

LETTER REQUESTING CORRECTED OFFICIAL FILING RECEIPT

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The residence is incorrectly listed. The correct residence is as follows:.

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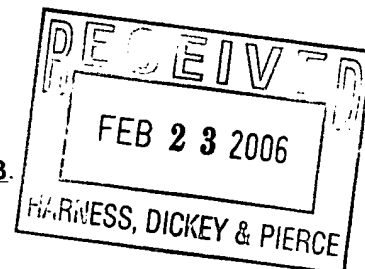
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Title

Thin film and method for manufacturing same

Preliminary Class

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The United States Application Number assigned to the application is shown above and the relevant dates are:

08/17/2005

DATE OF RECEIPT OF 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and
 (c)(4) REQUIREMENTS

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DATE OF COMPLETION OF ALL 35 U.S.C. 371
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The following items have been received:

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- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 03/11/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 08/17/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 03/11/2005
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- Oath or Declaration filed on 08/17/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 03/11/2005
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 03/11/2005
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